



CRAKEHALL Church of England PRIMARY SCHOOL

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END OF TERM

As I reach the end of my time at Crakehall, may I take this opportunity to wish you well in your future endeavours and thank you for your support over my 5 terms with you. My departure, although sudden, is because the governors have chosen to take a different path and one without their current collaboration partner.

I wish both the school and each of you well in the new academic year.

School restarts for the new academic year on Tuesday 5th September.

METTUPALYAM VISIT

Thank you to all those who helped to make our Mettupalyam day such a success. Particular thanks go to Mrs Eldridge, she volunteers her time and expertise each week but has worked 'unpaid overtime' recently to make sure all the children had the chance to work on art projects linked to the photography competition. The children had opportunities to explore a range of media and produce class, group and individual pieces of a very high standard. She worked incredibly hard to display their work to its best advantage and make the school a delightful gallery of wonderful art for visitors to admire and enjoy.

The afternoon was also a chance to say thank you to the many volunteers who work in school to support the children's learning in a variety of ways. We are very lucky, as a school, to benefit from such generosity and it makes a huge difference to the children's progress. Thanks again to Mr Denton for his support with our Dales Art Project this term. All the children's photographs entered for the competition were displayed in the ICT suite on Friday. The winning and commended entries had been printed and framed for display in the corridors. Thank you to FOCs for funding this and to Mrs Eldridge for her time mounting the children's work. These stunning works of art will enhance our school environment for many months. Display is such an important way of valuing children's work but it takes a lot of time, patience and skill, all staff are very grateful to Mrs Eldridge for providing all of these in abundance. Mr Denton arranged for some photographs to be made into cards and they are available to buy, along with some of his own, as a fund raiser for FOCs.

The Ceilidh on Saturday evening was a great success too, lots of fun was had by all. Thank you to all of those who helped to make it an event that will live long in the memories of many. The Trustees of the charity would like to thank FOCs for the most generous offer of donating the money raised through the Fun Run (£673.30) to support the charity by planting an orchard making a massive difference to the lives of those benefiting from the work of Friends of Mettupalyam. The children have letters to read, a new calf to name and as a school we are delighted that the special bond between the two Crakehall Schools continues to blossom and benefit both communities.

SCOOTERS

I have been asked to bring to your attention that some teachers have been concerned about children on their scooters coming in and out of school. We ask that children do not mount their scooters until out of the premises so that they have a clear view of the road and have been handed over to your supervision

MISSION MATHS

Keep going with the Mission Maths practise. If you feel your child is ready to be checked on a target, can you just put a small tick in the corner and we will check it and sign it. A few children have gotten a bit confused and ticked things themselves.

This booklet which should be kept safe is about developing instant recall of facts so that they become confident with number and manipulating number. I had the pleasure of giving out my first certificate this week but I know a few more have already gone out in Class 2 and 3.

REQUEST FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE IN TERM TIME

If you are requesting leave of absence, please submit any request at least 5 working days in advance of the request and using the appropriate form which can be obtained from Mrs Fryatt or located on the school website. Thank you.

PARENT VIEW

If you wish to share any views you have on the school with OFSTED, the link to their site is as follows:
<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

DATES FOR THE AUTUMN TERM

Tuesday 5th September - School begins
Tuesday 12th September - School Photographs
Tuesday 26th September - Richmond School Open Evening
Thursday 5th October - Bedale High School Open Evening
Wednesday 11th October - Y5/6 Boys Cluster Football
Wednesday 18th October - Fire Safety and Bonfire Talk

£2 PER CHILD

KIDS SUMMER PARTIES

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WED 16TH AUGUST

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WED 30TH AUGUST

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